



Renato Simone Aviation Scholarship

Renato Simone had a true passion for flying and all that surrounds it. Renato was a hard working kind hearted man with a passion for life and aviation. He loved to help young students (and old) to truly love flying. He was a devoted family man and cared deeply about family values. He worked hard to establish his career as a pilot, loved his aviation career and was excited to be able to mentor and encourage upcoming pilots to pursue their dreams. He had over 4000 hours and was an ATP, CFII, MFII, type rated-A/CE-500, was the Chief Flight Instructor at Navajo Aviation, and had his own aviation company, RS Aero.



However Renato passed away at the early age of 58 in an airplane accident.

Renato's wife, Nina, has created this scholarship fund to award \$1,500 Flight Training Scholarships to qualified applicants that show a passion for flight and the ambition to pursue furthering their aviation skills. The scholarship offers \$1,500 to assist a student pilot toward completion of an initial pilot certificate, in any aircraft. Included in this scholarships is a one year membership to the Aircraft Owner's and Pilot Association (AOPA).

Candidates must meet the following requirements:

- The applicant must be serious about flying to complete their training for their certificate or rating.
- Be at least 17 years old, US citizen
- Training will be based out of the Concord Airport (KCCR)
- Hold a student pilot certificate
- Applicants must have soloed
- Proficient in English
- Have current medical certificate (meets new Basic Med requirement when applicable)
- Be present at the Award Presentation to receive the scholarship (firm requirement)

Criteria for selection:

- The proposed use of the scholarship award
- How the award is used to advance the students training
- Financial need
- Other scholarships the candidate has received
- Status of current aviation accomplishments

Application Process

- Complete an application form (see attached)
- **Deadline: Must be postmarked by March 31, 2017**

Submit application, attachments and references to:

Renato Simone Aviation Scholarship Fund
Attn: The Giving Exchange
455 Summit Road
Walnut Creek, CA 94598

For further information contact Rod Mickels at 510-813-0369 or email at TheGivingExchange@gmail.com

Donations to the Renato Simone Aviation Scholarship can be made at www.TheGivingExchange.net